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ATTN: ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR, INTERNATIONAL TRADE POLICY,
INTERNATIONAL MARKETING DIRECTOR, FRUIT AND VEGETABLE, AND
SPECIAL PROJECTS DIVISION

STATE DEPT FOR PAUL CANNEY, SCANDINAVIAN DESK

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EAGR, SW

SUBJECT: SWEDISH RIKSDAG'S PROPOSAL RE PESTICIDE RESIDUE CONTROLS
IN IMPORTED FRUITS AND VEGETABLES

REF: SW-5021, SW-5022, FASTO 101, TOFAS 121

TOFAS 128. SUBJECT OF RIKSDAG'S ACTION WAS RAISED WITH SWEDISH
MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE SVANTE LUNDKVIST ON SEPTEMBER 15. OCCA-
SION WAS DINNER GIVEN BY MINISTER LUNDKVIST FOR FOREIGN AGRI-
CULTURAL ATTACHES ACCREDITED TO SWEDEN. PARTICIPATING WERE
ATTACHES FROM NETHERLANDS, BELGIUM, AUSTRIA, ROMANIA, SOVIET
UNION, AND USA. WITH MINISTER LUNDKVIST WERE HEAD OF FOREIGN
UNIT OF MINISTRY CLAES SENNING AND MR. R. HENRIKSSON, THE MAN
WHO IS NOW HANDLING QUESTION IN MINISTRY.

ATTACHES EXPRESSED THEIR GREAT CONCERN AND EXPLAINED POSSIBLE
RAMIFICATIONS OF MATTER. MINISTER WAS ACQUAINTED WITH SUBJECT
AND LISTENED WITH APPARENT UNDERSTANDING TO ATTACHES POINT OF
VIEW. HE MADE NO COMMITMENT BUT SUGGESTED THAT GOVERNMENTS NOT
MAKE REPRESENTATION ON THIS MATTER.

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IN SUBSEQUENT CONVERSATION WITH US AGATT, SENNING CONFIDED THAT
HE AND HENRIKSSON WOULD HAVE LIKED TO HAVE SUCH REPRESENTATIONS.
EMBASSY HAS LEARNED THAT ITALIAN AMBASSADOR HAS TAKEN MATTER UP
WITH GOS FOREIGN OFFICE, IN ADDITION TO RAISING IT IN EC

COMMISSION AS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED.

RE ADVICE REQUESTED FROM WASHINGTON IN REPORT SW-5022 AND AGAIN
IN TOFAS 121, SUGGEST THAT EMBASSY BE GIVEN WIDE JUDGMENT
LATITUDE IN VIEW OF DISAGREEMENT BETWEEN MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE
AND HEAD OF NATIONAL FOOD ADMINISTRATION ON ONE HAND AND WORKING
LEVEL PEOPLE IN MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE ON THE OTHER, REGARDING
WISDOM OF US REPRESENTATION.
JOHNSON

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